



State of California – The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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TO: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
Colorado Desert District
200 Palm Canyon Drive
Borrego Springs, CA 92004-5005

PROJECT TITLE: Mecca Beach Power Line Conversion to Underground

LOCATION: Salton Sea State Recreation Area

COUNTY: Imperial

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: This project will convert overhead power lines that supply power to the Mecca Beach Campground to underground. The existing overhead power lines are exposed and prone to shorting out. Additionally, they pose a danger to visitors as well as wetland birds. Approximately 1600' of line shall be replaced and placed 24" below ground.

DPR-approved standard project requirements have been incorporated into this project. A copy of these requirements may be obtained by submitting a request to the project Environmental Coordinator listed below.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Colorado Desert District

EXEMPT STATUS:

- ☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
☐ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
☐ Statutory Exemption
☒ Categorical Exemption

Class: 1

Section: 15301 – Existing Facilities

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: No potential for significant impacts to the environment is anticipated in compliance with CEQA §15300.2. The project meets the California Department of Parks and Recreation List of Exempt Activities under Class 1 (Section 15301) – Existing Facilities as "Utility repairs or minor upgrades"

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